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LB 400

business. Call the Legislature to order. Members, please record your presence. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Select File, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next bill on Select File for consideration, LB 400. At this time, Mr. President, I have no amendments to the bill.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Mr. President, I move the advancement of LB 400 to E & R for engrossing.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you Senator Erdman. Senator Tyson on the advancement of LB 400.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body. This bill was thoroughly discussed before. And it failed to advance. The last thing we show on this is that it failed to advance for engrossment. The last action I think was taken was an IPP motion of mine, which also failed. The vote was then taken and it has sat there since February the 26th. In the meantime, we have a little over two months, I don't think that this is something that gets better with aging. It is still the same bad bill that it was when we voted on it on the 26th of February. There's no point in going over it. I think that your e-mail columns have been swamped overtime with people who are actually in the business of providing child-care, explaining to you in detail why this is a thoroughly bad piece of legislation. Very briefly it does nothing to advance the quality of child-care anywhere. What it does, it puts on more regulation, more training, and as was pointed out a number of weeks ago, mainly what their getting now is continuous repetition of training that they have had before. There's no point in beating this thing to death. I bring this to your attention. It was a bad bill then, it's a bad bill now. The people who are actually in this business have decried the condition of this piece of